

# Pacific Coast Numismatic Society 7:30PM Wednesday December 16, 2009 Building C, Fort Mason San Francisco, California

# Annual Holiday Party! Everybody

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Please join us December 16, 2009 for the annual holiday party. As is tradition, the event is a potluck. Bring some delicious to share and enjoy what your fellow members bring as well. Please note that the date is not the usual 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday due to the Christmas holiday. A good time will be had by all!

# 1123rd meeting. Turkey Coins (reviewed by Herb)

As has become a PCNS tradition, the November meeting was an extended show and tell session. As befits the Thanksgiving holiday, it is a time for members to enjoy each other and their friendships. The theme of "Turkey Coins" is intended to be interpreted any way that you want!

We welcomed our new member Dan who told us of his renewed interest in collecting after a hiatus of many years. Dan is interested in world silver crowns from about 1840 forward.

All of us then introduced ourselves and described our own interests; from Michael's devotion to exonumia of San Francisco; Herb's slavery-related exonumia; Sandra's non-collecting collecting (is that an oxymoron?); Whalen's interest in U.S. type from Gobrecht to Augustus St Gaudens; Steve's collections from Ptolomy to Venetian; Mark's passion for world coins, especially "Liberty Heads" to Ken's 20<sup>th</sup> Century Type, Cash and other Asian coins.

### **November 2009 Exhibits**

Ken exhibited 4 distinct items; a ½ and 1 Puffin from Lundy Island, a \$150 Dollar Note from Hong Kong (one had to be at the site to obtain one and lucky Ken had his sister-in-law get his!), and an envelope or postal mail from a French Cruiser.

Dan brought an 1851 dollar coin, purportedly a U.S. coin from a roll of silver dollars, but not!!! Since it is a mix of one dollar gold reverse and Indian head cent obverse on a planchet that is not even silver, that is certainly a turkey!

Michael exhibited two turkeys from San Francisco. One was an otherwise nice token from the Tom & Jerry Saloon that is slabbed as "NCS Genuine" (duh?). The other was a previously unknown token from the Gaiety Saloon on Pacific Street in the Barbary Coast area that unfortunately is nearly completely cracked through the planchet

Stephen also brought his turkeys; one a "Turkey Vulture" PCNS token or medal made in MCMVI, and the other a PCNS and PPIE medal issued in 1990.

Whalen brought a New Zealand Proof Set (advertised as polished!); a Piece of Eight, and a Cook Islands Crown.

Herb also brought a weird thing; a 1977 calendar medal with a frightful two-headed image on the obverse, the head of Janus was the consensus of assembled members!

### November 2009 RAFFLE

- 1) A 1990 United States Proof Set was won by Whalen
- 2) A British book on numismatic names by Antony was won by Dan
- 3) A bag of assorted old copper coins was also won by Dan!!

# New Member!

Please welcome to the Society the following new member: Dan Hibble of Tiburon, California

# 2010 Papers contest

Articles are solicited for the next PCNS papers contest. The due date will be the April 2010 meeting. Authors are reminded that all illustrations and photos must have the permission to be used for publication. Also note that many images available on the internet are not in the public domain nor of high enough resolution to be suitable for the quality of publication that we envision. Full contest rules will be available on the PCNS website, www.pcns.org.